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## MR. SMALL REPLIES TO MR. PUGH

Says Republican Candidate's Recent Campaign Charges Were Mostly False

At Washington, N. C.  
April 19, 1919.

Mr. C. R. Pugh,  
Elizabeth City, N. C.  
Dear Sir:—

You were the Republican candidate for Congress in this District last Fall, and as such it was entirely appropriate for you to uphold your party and submit any truthful evidence tending to show that I, as the Democratic candidate, was unworthy of the position. Just before the election last November you mailed to a large number of voters in the District a letter and one or two circulars in which you sought to attack my personal and political record. There was not sufficient time to answer same through the Press or otherwise prior to the election. The next Session of Congress convened within a short time, during which every moment of my time was intensely occupied with public work, and I have just found opportunity to give attention to some of the details of your charges.

During my public service I have sought to build up a good name for personal and official integrity, for industry and for efficiency. This good name constitutes my most valuable asset, and I cannot permit it to be soiled without a protest.

In this literature which you mailed to the voters there was a mixture of truth and falsehood, which was adroitly calculated to deceive, and may have imposed upon some of the voters of the District. I cannot within the scope of this letter refer to every detail set forth by you, but have selected the more prominent of your charges out of the jumbled mass as you presented them.

### MY WAR RECORD.

You attack my patriotism as a Representative during this War. I think I can state truthfully that I took an advanced position upon every vital question arising out of our relation to this world war. I am sure all of my colleagues in Congress and the intelligent citizens of the District who kept advised of my record will substantiate this statement. You referred to a number of votes, or failures to vote, regarding the Naval establishment. Every question which you cite arose prior to our entering the War, and some antedated same by three or four years. Besides, my action in each case was right and in accordance with existing Democratic policy. I was paired in each case where I failed to vote, which fact you withheld. You were guilty of other errors regarding the Navy, to which I will not now advert.

Regarding the Army and my public record. You made a number of statements, most of which are untrue, or half true, out of which I have selected three of the more prominent. You stated that "almost a year after the outbreak of the European War, Mr. Small voted against an appropriation of \$700,000 for aeroplanes." The pending bill carried an appropriation of \$600,000 for aeroplanes and I voted against an amendment to increase this sum to \$1,300,000. This is very different from your statement. Two hundred and fifty-three other members of the House voted against this amendment, among whom were a number of prominent Republicans. I have no means of knowing whether you made this untruthful statement purposely or through ignorance.

You further stated that "Mr. Small voted against the McKenzie amendment providing for a domestic supply of nitrogen, an absolutely necessary ingredient in the manufacture of smokeless powder." The House had under consideration a bill for the development of waterpower in the production of nitrogen. Mr. McKenzie moved to strike out section 82 of the bill, which authorized an appropriation for the development of waterpower for this purpose. The amendment would have destroyed a vital part of the bill. This was on March 23rd, 1916, one year prior to our entering the War. Every member of our State Delegation also voted against the amendment, including the Republican member, Mr. Britt. Could it possibly have been your intention to pervert the truth?

You further stated that "Mr. Small voted against the bill which increased the pay of enlisted men to \$30.00 per month." These are the facts: The House had under consideration the bill authorizing the President to increase the military establishment. It was a most important and urgent war measure. Mr. Small voted for it. The bill was passed by the House and the Senate. The bill was then sent to a Conference Committee of both Houses, who made a conference report under which the private soldier would have received \$30.00 in foreign service and \$25.00 for service in the United States, with an opportunity for increased pay dependent upon skill and service. The bill had been pending for some time and the President and Secretary of War were urging that the conference report be adopted. President Wilson wrote a letter to the Chairman of the House Committee on Military Affairs on May 11, 1917 urging that the conference report be adopted, adding that "every hour counts in these critical times and delay might have very serious consequences." While the conference report was pending in the House Mr. Good, of Iowa, a Republican member, moved to recommit the conference report with instructions to make the pay of the enlisted man \$30.00 per month both in domestic as well as foreign service. In order to avoid the delay, and in response to the request of the President, I voted against the motion to recommit. In so voting my controlling purpose was to secure the prompt

passage of the bill, and not to vote against increasing the pay of private soldiers to \$30.00 a month in domestic service, which is obvious because I had already voted for the increase while the bill was before the House. Every member of the North Carolina Delegation, except one, voted against the motion to recommit, including the Democratic Chairman of the Committee on Military Affairs, and Mr. Kahn, the ranking Republican member. However, the motion to recommit prevailed and the conference committee brought in a subsequent report fixing the pay of the enlisted man at \$30.00 per month for domestic as well as foreign service. I then voted for the conference report and also for the bill on its final passage which made the pay of the soldier \$30.00 for service either at home or abroad. Presumably, you knew all of the above facts, or you could have obtained them from the Record. This same charge was made against other Democratic candidates in the last campaign, among whom was Major Stedman of Greensboro, and in the Greensboro News of September 10th Major Stedman made a complete answer to the charge. He voted similar to myself. If you were a subscriber to the Greensboro Daily News at that time, the subject was also fully discussed in other newspapers in the State. It is pertinent to ask why you made this untruthful statement. Your apparent purpose was to create an impression that I had opposed an increase of pay to \$30.00 for the private soldier.

The above concerns charges regarding my War record, but you made several other charges to which I will advert. In your letter to the voters sent out a few days before the election, you asked the question, "Why did Mr. Small vote against prohibition when his own constituency was on record as favoring it?" You surely know, or should know, that Congress had no jurisdiction over the subject of prohibition in North Carolina. What you probably refer to was a Resolution to amend the Constitution of the United States for the purpose of taking from the States their right of exclusive control over intoxicating liquors. This is an entirely different question. I did vote against such an amendment just as I voted subsequently against an amendment to the Constitution to take away from the States the right to control woman's suffrage. Why did you state that I voted against prohibition? I think every intelligent citizen of the District, except you, understands my attitude on this question. It must have been your purpose to deceive and to create prejudice against me on the part of sincere prohibitionists.

In your letter you ask, "Why did Mr. Small change his influence from the Dismal Swamp Canal to the Albemarle & Chesapeake Canal?" You know, or should know, that the War Department, through the Corps of Engineers, is clothed with authority by Congress to select the routes of canals and waterways. They have an established reputation for integrity and ability. I could not have improperly influenced them if I had desired to do so. If you intended to impugn my integrity, why did you not say so in plain words? And yet that was evidently your purpose. In common with all decent men, I despise a slanderer.

You stated that I had voted to raise my own salary. What authority did you have for such a statement? I insist you shall state whether you told the truth.

You further stated that from the convening of the Extra Session of Congress on April 2, 1917 until July 13, 1918 there were 299 roll calls in the House, and that I was either absent or failed to respond to 112 of these roll calls. This is one of the few correct statements you made. Obviously you intended to create the impression that I was not attentive to my public duties. You should have told the whole truth about this matter. Of these roll calls you should have stated that 116 were caused by points of no quorum, which represented no vote upon any question of legislation. An examination of the Record would have further disclosed that 183 of these roll calls were upon motions, amendments or the passage of bills, and that either voted or was properly paired on all except four of such roll calls. But, fortunately, the test of good service does not depend upon answering every roll call in the House. I was the Chairman of a very busy Committee, which was authorized to sit during the sessions of the House, and it was not always convenient to adjourn the Committee and proceed to the Chamber to vote, and I would occasionally make a pair by telephone. Besides, this was during the prosecution of the war. Many of our constituents visited Washington in person or by various missions, which compelled me to go to the Departments with them. Their time was limited, and for their accommodation I would make a pair and absent myself from the House in order to serve them.

It is proper to state that at my request, Mr. S. S. Mann, who was the Clerk to the Committee of which I was Chairman, made a careful investigation of the records regarding the charges which you made and the above recital is based upon his investigation and written report. I submit just one more comment. Your evident purpose was to impugn my personal character, my official integrity and my public service. Modesty forbids me from replying at length to such an attack. I have confidence in the intelligence and fairness of the voters of the District, and I am perfectly willing to abide by their verdict. They gave a very emphatic expression in the last election when your charges were fresh in their minds, and before I had had an opportunity to refute same.

In conclusion, I think it is fair to you to give you an opportunity to make an honorable retraction of the false charges you made against me, some of which I have referred to in this letter. I am reluctant to believe that you will decline to do so. I shall expect such a reply by May 1st, unless you ask for an extension of time. This will give you an opportunity to investigate the records. I shall give publicity to this letter. Respectfully,

JOHN H. SMALL.

## WHAT OUR NEIGHBORS THINK OF OUR TOWN

Louis Norman, Hertford Bank Cashier, Says It Does Him Good To Come Over Here

"I get an inspiration every time I come to Elizabeth City," said L. W. Norman, cashier of the Hertford Banking Co. of Hertford, who was here with his family Tuesday morning. "Yes sir!" continued Mr. Norman, "It does me good to come to your town; I like your streets, your stores and your spirit of hustle and progress. It makes me wish I was younger. If I were a younger man I'd just like to make my home in Elizabeth City. It's not too big for comfort, but it has the hustle and go of a city that does things. And you folks are doing things; I see the signs everywhere; you are building a fine, beautiful, prosperous city and if I didn't have so many anchors out down there at Hertford I'd come up here and be one of you and try to keep up with you."

Mr. Norman wasn't talking for publication, but he so well expressed the opinion of thousands of Elizabeth City's neighbors that Elizabeth City's representative newspaper couldn't let his remarks go unnoticed. It is the good will of high class neighbors like Mr. Norman that has made Elizabeth City a great town.

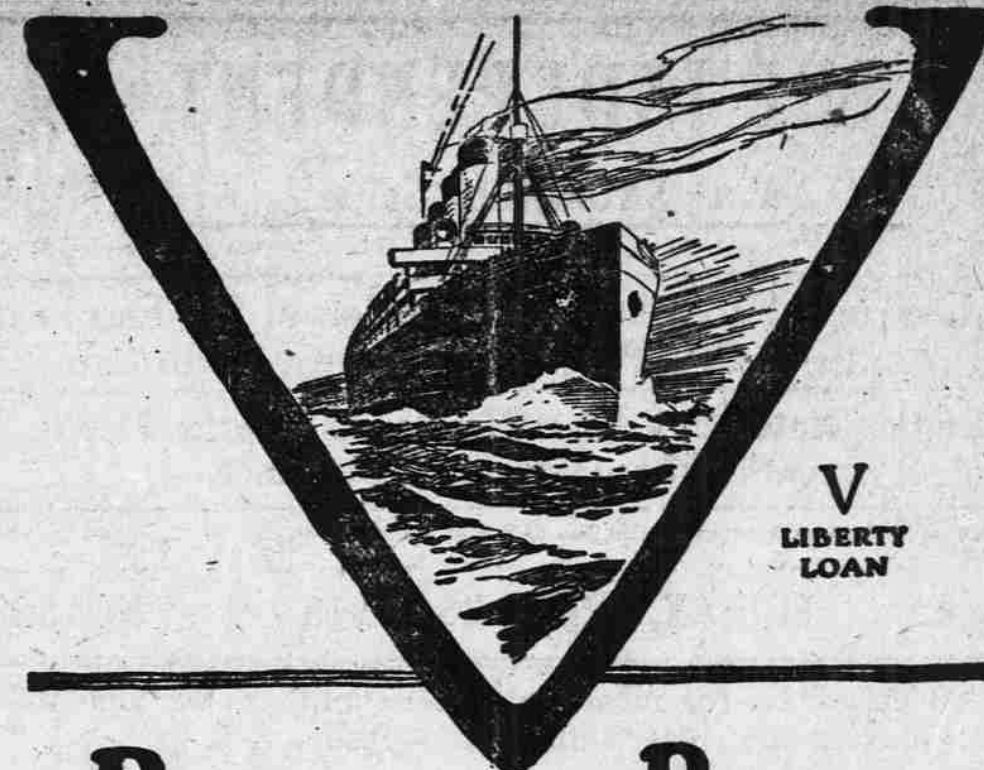
### JITNEY LINE TO NORFOLK

Edgar Williams will resume his automobile transfer business between Elizabeth City and Norfolk on May 1, operating three seven passenger automobiles between this city and Norfolk daily. Mr. Williams says he has assurance that every piece of road between here and Norfolk will be in comparatively good condition by May 1. Schedule and other information are published elsewhere in this paper.

### GALLI-CURCI SOLD OUT

Many Elizabeth City music lovers who expect to attend the Galli-Curci concert in Norfolk May 15 are slated for a disappointment. All seats for the performance, excepting a few box seats at \$6.00 each and a few undesirable seats in the peanut gallery had been sold out Monday, so this newspaper was informed by Norfolk Melody Club members.

Grandy Sawyer, an Elizabeth City boy who has been connected with Nunnally's Norfolk, Va. store for the past year, has been transferred to Washington where he will be assistant manager in Nunnally's big store at 1223 F. St. N. W. in that city.



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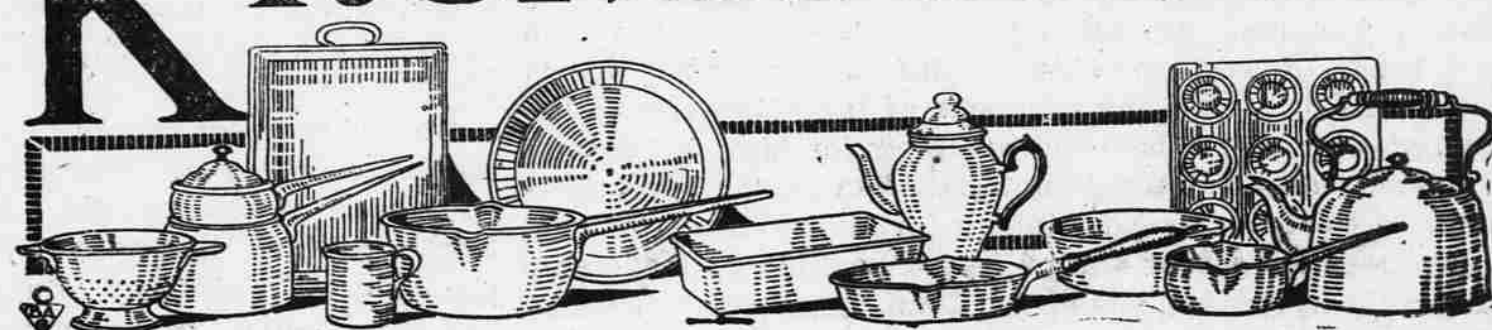
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